## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 700 By Wilder

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mr. Jack D. Tapp of Fayette County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Mr. Jack D. Tapp on November 30, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jack Tapp was an exemplary individual and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his family and fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Fayette County, Mr. Tapp served with acumen as a farmer and real estate agent and appraiser; Mr. Jack Tapp, at a young 57 years of age, passed away that fateful Sunday morning following a tragic farming accident; and

WHEREAS, farming, horses, and cattle had been an important part of Mr. Tapp's life, as did the real estate business he shared with his wife, where he served as a real estate appraiser and a real estate agent for Fayette County and the surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, in his earlier years, Mr. Tapp bravely served his State and Nation for ten years as a member of the Tennessee National Guard Reserve; and

WHEREAS, a thoughtful and pious man, he was an active member of the Oak Grove United Methodist Church, which he faithfully served for many years; and

WHEREAS, the loving son of the late Martin M. and Louise Sain Tapp, Mr. Jack D. Tapp was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tapp enjoyed the loving companionship of his devoted wife and business and life partner, the former Mary Ann Simmons; and

WHEREAS, forever remembered as a person who loved Fayette County for its rural heritage and idyllic refuge he will be sorely missed by his brother, George Lee Henry, his uncle,

Tom Tapp, his two aunts, Nina Pattat and Ruby Doyle, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, neighbors, friends, and business clientele; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tapp leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mr. Jack D. Tapp, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Tapp.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared by the senate engrossing clerk for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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